PBCC EMERITUS FACULTY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

October 2006 Joan Young, Editor

Message from the President ...*Bill Wilson*

Our May meeting was well attended, but we are always eager to greet more of our friends and colleagues who devoted so many years to careers at Palm Beach Community College. If maintaining your membership in the Emeritus Faculty Association has slipped your mind because of other activities, why not take a moment to do so now? We truly care about where you are, what you are doing, how you are... Among those attending the May meeting were two of the new retirees — **Richard Yinger** and **James Wood**.

All of last year's officers ran unopposed for the 2006-2007 year and were re-elected: **Bill Wilson**, President; **Kathleen Asher**, Vice President; **Joan Young**, Secretary; and **Honey Duncan**, Treasurer. Appointed offices filled were the following: Social Welfare, **Mary Bosworth** and **Helen Darcey**; Newsletter Editor, **Joan Young**; College Liaison, **Kathleen Asher**; Parliamentarian, **Honey Duncan**.

The committees (Program, Opportunities, Recruitment/Retention) appointed for 2006-2007 are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. Anyone wanting to join one of the committees or having suggestions for them, please let us know.

Banna Ghioto entertained us all with memories of her military experiences in the U.S. Army Nurses' Corps, both on active duty and in the Reserves. Her photo display was an impressive enhancement and testimony to why she is Colonel Banna Ghioto.

Joan Young was the winner of the door prize of a $50.00 gift certificate for Atlantis Country Club!

Our Fall meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 27, 11:00 AM, in the Faculty Dining Room, Central Campus. We would love to see many more of you there!

Also, our Holiday Party will be at the Atlantis Country Club again on Friday, December 8, 2006. Please plan to attend! This is strictly a social event – great food, gifts galore, entertainment, renewed friendship, good fellowship. Bring a friend, a relative, a colleague, a staff member, a professor looking at retirement. This is always a happy event and a pleasant way to greet friends and usher in the holiday season. Mark your calendars now.

I hope all of you had a wonderful summer, are well, and are enjoying retirement. *Stay in touch.*

Rich Yinger shares his thoughts on retiring.

One of our new members, **Rich Yinger**, wrote to us last April as follows:

"I am officially retiring as of June 21, 2006 at the end of Summer A after 32 years at PBCC. I have absolutely no idea of what I am going to do. I am going to try to take Dr. Eissey's advice and do nothing for at least 6 months. The very thought of doing nothing causes me to hyperventilate. I have been looking forward to retiring for 32 years. But now that it is approaching, I am having some bizarre physiological problems that may be related. I think that deep down inside my Protestant work ethic is causing me problems. I have been working for almost 60 years. I defined work as good. I gave it my all here. It was never just a job. So, retiring and doing nothing is a challenge for me that is causing me some problems. Has anyone else had a problem like this?"

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Joan Young and Bill Wilson

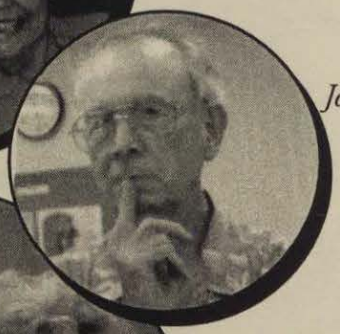
Sunny Meyer, Joanne Connolly

Banna Ghioto, Rosalie Morrissey

Photos courtesy of Rosalie Morrissey

Bill Wilson and Banna Ghioto

Joe Schneider and Helen Darcey



John Connolly

John Meyer and Joanne Connolly,

Honey Duncan, Rosalie Morrissey, Lucile Dickenson, and Mary Bosworth

Lunch in Belle Glade?

EFA member **Mary Orsenigo** and Dr. Robinson, Provost of the Glades Campus of PBCC, have invited the members of the EFA to lunch and a tour of the Glades Campus, where they report "great things are happening."

Interested? Please write or call President Bill Wilson. If enough of our members would like to participate, we may be able to secure a PBCC bus for transport.

EFA Membership

You'll be receiving an updated list of EFA members' names, addresses, and phone numbers soon.

Happily, you will see some names on the list that did not appear on last year's, as we have a number of new members.

Sadly, you will find that some names have been dropped. We know of two of our members who have passed away. **Joe Lesko** of High Springs died in Gainesville on August 8, 2006, at the age of 85. Barbara Evans informed us that her husband, Howard Evans, passed away on December 16, 2005.

Also dropped are the names of those members whose mail has been returned to us as "undeliverable." If you know anything about the people listed here, please contact Bill Wilson:

John O'Neil

Ray Daugherty

Mavilene Prentice

Winifred Huneke

Mildred Schild

Phyllis Leapman

Also, please contact Bill if you discover an error in your listing.

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DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR:

OCTOBER 27
Meeting

DECEMBER 8
Holiday Party

DID YOU FORGET?
It's not too late!

Never too late! - to keep up your membership in the Emeritus Faculty Association, where you can keep in touch with your former colleagues at Palm Beach Community College.

You can mail your dues to:

HONEY DUNCAN
1019 Snowden Drive
Lake Worth, FL 33461

or you can just come to the meeting on Oct. 27 and pay your dues then.

Active Membership $10.00

Honorary Membership $5.00
(Spouse)

Associate Membership $5.00
(Not in P.B.County)

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NEWS OF MEMBERS

Although she was having difficulty walking after a fall which broke three ribs and hurt her feet, **Helen Darcey** managed to attend the EFA meeting in May. Helen and John had sold their house in Lake Worth and now have settled in to their new home, an apartment at a CCRC: Continuing Care Retirement Community, in Palm Beach Gardens. On moving in, residents must be sufficiently healthy to maintain self-care. When necessary, they go into Assisted Living or Nursing for the same monthly maintenance price.

Newly retired **John Jenkins** has genetic glaucoma, but it is being successfully treated. According to his wife, Jessie, John is staying very active as a member of the Kravis Center Board, at his church, tending to his parents at a nursing home in Tavares, FL, etc.

Frank Leahy has been recovering all summer from a minor stroke and heart and kidney problems and is now fighting the onset of macular degeneration. But his wife, Shirley, says his spirits are good and he would love to hear from some of his former colleagues.

In June, **Liz Allred** reported that she and John had been traveling a lot and so have missed the past few meetings. They had just returned from a month's trip to Africa.

Janelle Bloodworth is still giving talks on the Civil War around the county.

Jan Bussell says he's sorry he's missed a couple of meetings: Joyce has been in Tennessee and he has been busy flying.

Jim Howell and his wife are really enjoying their retirement. They wintered in Moore Haven, bass fishing and repairing hurricane damage, but then spent three spring months in Colorado, with side trips to Las Vegas, Grand Canyon, Bryce National Park, Zion, and Durango. They went "rock crawling" in jeeps with friends at Moab, UT, and river rafting on the Colorado with their son. In the spring their first grandson was born to their son and his wife, and their daughter gave birth to their granddaughter in August.

Jonathan Koontz reports that he is working on his third book: "a serious, inspirational book detailing a new way of looking at the world which has kept me young and active." His second book was a self-published volume of his favorite war stories from WWII, which he wrote for family and friends.

Their grandson, Sawyer, 2, keeps reminding **Frank** and **Lisa Littler** what a great idea moving to California was. Sawyer's brother, Cooper, was born on March 28 at Stanford University Hospital.

Glen Marsteller reports that he and Nancy spent the summer in at Dollywood, Pigeon Forge, TN, working on the roller coaster. In June guess who stopped by for a ride? Jan Bussell! Jan told Glen that his wife, Joyce, was also working at Dollywood.

Stafford Mooney is still writing and teaching some courses at Indian River Community College.

We have another member author to report to you! **Eleanor Myatt's** book, *Echoes from Yesterday: Candor, New York 1806-2006, An Upstate Village, A Family's Legacy*, was published locally. Eleanor says: "It's about 1/3 my family history in the area, where my grandfather was very active in his business and political life and really played a large part in the community (a little town of about 800 people). Another third of the book is about the village's history and various people who also contributed, and the other third includes some social history

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of the period, as it can't be divorced from the town and the people. It's been a lot of work but much fun to do, and it has many pictures to liven things up."

Mary Alice Pugh has continued her travel adventures during the summer: to Alaska (Anchorage, Denali, Seward, the Kenai Fjords), Oregon (following the trail of Lewis and Clark along the Columbia River) , Idaho (where she and 26 members of her church in Lake Worth conducted a vacation Bible school on the Nez Perce Indian Reservation), and Montana (three days at a lodge in Glacier National Park)

Adele Shapiro has been working as a full-time math learning specialist on the Boca Campus of PBCC. During the summer she traveled to Israel with her husband, daughter, son-in-law, and two grandchildren. She says it was her "first trip out of the U.S. and was fantastic. We celebrated my granddaughter's Bat Mitzvah at the Wailing Wall."

Frankie Sprague participated in an Elder Hostel adventure in Savannah in March and vacationed during the summer in St. Martin and St. Lucia. She has just completed her term serving as the Vice President of the Ports O' Call Condominium Association.

Tom Steffen is now working as a contractor for Brevard Community College, managing a Department of Labor grant, launching super Loki rockets from Complex 47 at Cape Canaveral Air Station.

Jim and **Marge Toomath** traveled in their motorhome to Branson, MO, and Nashville, TN, and really enjoyed all the shows. On the Internet Marge "found and visited a cousin born in Panama she had not seen or heard from in 45 years." They also visited their great-grandson, James, in Georgia, who turned two in July.

Idella Wade was unable to attend the May meeting because of a broken toe, but expects to see us all at the holiday gathering in December.

Ivor Wetherby sold her house in Atlantis during the summer of 2005 and moved to Columbus, NC. From January to March she visited her daughter Jane Ward in Atlantis, when she returned to NC to enjoy the change of seasons. In May she was in Kentucky on business and then spent the summer in Erie County, PA, with her 2nd daughter Elizabeth Schultz. Her advice to all of us--"Go as long as you are able!"

Frank Adams – Kathy and I are enjoying our first year in Rome. We have become active in Fellowship Baptist Church and Berry College activities. We recently hosted the Berry English Depatment Faculty at our home, and I taught a Seniors Scholars Class on Robert Frost's poetry this past spring. We hope all of you in West Palm Beach are doing well

Mel Haynes will be retiring from his position as pastor of Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church at the end of this month. He and his wife, **Antoinette (Toni)**—who will also be a member of the EFA soon, since she retires from PBCC in December—plan to divide their time between their homes in West Palm Beach and Lady Lake, Florida, in the future.